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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 334, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to continuing education requirements for physicians.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 334, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 334.280, to read as follows:

**334.280. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms shall mean:**

**(1) "Continuous medical education", continued postgraduate medical education intended to provide medical professionals with knowledge of new developments in their field;**

**(2) "Maintenance of certification", any process requiring periodic recertification examinations to maintain specialty medical board certification;**

**(3) "Maintenance of licensure", the Federation of State Medical Boards' proprietary framework for physician license renewal including additional periodic testing other than continuous medical education;**

**(4) "Specialty medical board certification", certification by a board that specializes in one particular area of medicine and typically requires additional and more strenuous exams than state board of medicine requirements to practice medicine.**

**2. The state shall not require any form of maintenance of licensure as a condition of physician licensure including requiring any form of maintenance of licensure tied to maintenance of certification. Current requirements including continuous medical education shall suffice to demonstrate professional competency.**

**3. The state shall not require any form of specialty medical board**

22 **certification or any maintenance of certification to practice medicine**  
23 **within the state. There shall be no discrimination by the state board**  
24 **of registration for the healing arts or any other state agency against**  
25 **physicians who do not maintain specialty medical board certification**  
26 **including recertification.**

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